

BLLENHEIM - c. 1752 - East side of Blenheim Road, 0.9 mile south of Sweet Air Road, entrance opposite golf course. One part was supposedly built before 1715; main block built 1752 by Major Thomas Franklin who called it Blenheim for his friend the Duke of Marlborough. Acquired by Larkin H. Smith in 1839. Shown as Dr. R. Agnew and J. Henderson's on 1850 map. The James N. Henderson house of 1877 atlas. It was C. E. Weakley's in 1898 and 1915 atlases. Weakley was charged with a house 22 x 37' with wings 5 x 20' and 12 x 24' in the 1819 tax ledger. Other owners were J. Oscar Francies and John F. Kolk. This was a plain, unpretentious two-story brick colonial house, with small rooms; there was a log wing. The house was destroyed by fire in the mid-1970s.